

A close-up portrait of a soldier in a green uniform and a green turban with yellow and red stripes and a black pom-pom. He is saluting with his right hand. The background is a soft, out-of-focus landscape with green and yellow hues.

TO THE ARMY



WITH ENERGY MIGHTIER THAN THE SUN
WITH COURAGE AND SLEEPLESS VIGILANCE
WITH STRENGTH AND LOVE FOR NATION
YOU BUILT WALL STRONGER THAN IRON
YOU SACRIFICE LIFE FOR HOMELAND SAFETY

OH! GUARDIAN ANGELS!

I OWE MY PRAYER TO YOU

I OWE MY HONOUR TO YOU

I OWE MY GRATITUDE TO YOU

OH! GUARDIAN ANGELS!

I SALUTE YOU

FOR WHAT YOU DO FOR THE WHOLE NATION!!!



"ARMY- CALLING"

INDEPENDENCE DOES NOT COME FREE

"Be a part of an Elite Organization - The Indian Army"

I am Shameer Oorppally, a PHOTO JOURNALIST and an enthusiastic Social worker. So, I feel obliged to do something for the youngsters who aspire to join the Indian Army Service. I have come up with a simple and concise guide with illustrations on how to join Army in various Ranks and entries.

The main objective of this Booklet is to enlighten the YOUTHS about the Indian Army and to create awareness about the numerous career opportunities that Army provides for people with varied educational qualifications and backgrounds.

Youth are the pillars on which rests the future of our Country. There is no doubt that if we can impart love for nation, discipline and courage of conviction to be a soldier in our youth, we can create a society full of positive vigour and reach pinnacles of Glory as a nation. The phase of adolescent life is a special fusion of sparkling thoughts and strong determination. Behind all technological expansions and novel discoveries we can sight exuberant, impetuous young hands. Speculative revolutions for recasting society and building strong nation would be the ardour of youngsters. But aspirations that amplify and greed for accumulation of wealth often misguide our youth.

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So through this Book I have undertaken a modest endeavour to show the beacon of direction to youngsters who have in them the passion and keenness to join Army and to lead an extraordinary life to fulfil their responsibility towards their country. Effective intelligence, sense of responsibility, determination, courage, speed in decision making, leadership skill, team work, loyalty, selflessness are certain skills and attributes that are needed to be in the Army.

The achievements of the Indian Army, or the number of instances we as a citizen need to be thankful to them for, are numerous, and almost impossible to list down. They have made us proud on countless occasions, and have made umpteen sacrifices so that we can live in peace. As a sign of respect, the least we can do is to inspire the youngsters to join Army.

Indian Army doesn't have any quota or reservation system. It is perhaps the only organization in the country to recruit without any discrimination on the basis of caste, creed, or religion. Candidates are selected on the basis of merit and physical fitness. Providing service to the nation by dedicating one's life to it elevates the person to the status of a hero.

For an adventurous, passionate and honest youth, there can be no better career option than the great Indian Armed Force. So to instil patriotism and attract youngsters to join Indian Army, the booklet entitled "ARMY- CALLING" is being published. As a mark of patriotism and tribute I feel proud and blessed in presenting this to the Public.

I dedicate this booklet to the blazing memory of combatants who attained martyrdom fighting for the Nation....



PINARAYI VIJAYAN
CHIEF MINISTER OF KERALA



MESSAGE

I am happy to know that Shameer Oorppally is publishing a Booklet called "Army Calling" that includes the services of the Army and the information needed to join the army to inspire and educate young people and students.

I extend my best wishes for the great venture.

A green ink signature of Pinarayi Vijayan.

[PINARAYI VIJAYAN]



JUSTICE (Retd.) P. SATHASIVAM
EX GOVERNOR OF KERALA



MESSAGE

I am very happy that Sri Shameer Oorppally has compiled a booklet entitled Army Calling, with the aim of creating awareness about the career opportunities in the Armed Forces.

I hope that the contents in the booklet would encourage more young people to serve the nation by joining the Army.

I compliment Sri Shameer Oorppally for his efforts and wish the booklet all success.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'P. Sathasivam'.

[JUSTICE (Retd.) P. SATHASIVAM]



INDIAN ARMY

A SAGA OF VALOUR

1. The Indian Army is the land component of the Indian Armed Forces which exists to uphold the ideals of the Constitution of India. Indian Army is a major component of national power, along with the Indian Navy and the Indian Air Force. The roles of the Indian Army are as follows...

[A] Primary Role

Preserve national interests and safeguard sovereignty, territorial integrity and unity of India against any external threats by deference or by waging war.

[B] Secondary Role

Assist Government agencies to cope up with proxy war and other internal threats and provide aid to civil authority when requisitioned for the purpose.

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Be a part of an elite organization

The Indian Army

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2. The army operates 6 Tactical Commands. Each Command is headed by General Officer Commanding-In-Chief also known as Army Commander with the rank of Lieutenant General. Each Command is directly affiliated to the Integrated HQ of Ministry of Defence (Army) in New Delhi. There is also one Training Command known as ARTRAC.

3. Army Day is celebrated on 15 January every year in India, in recognition of Lieutenant General (Later Field Marshal) K,M Cariappa's taking over the first Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army from Sir Francis Butcher, the last British Commander, in 1949 .



4. Army played equally important role as the other freedom fighters in instilling democratization in India. After independence, the Indian Army succeeded in several operation against the external aggressions, played a crucial role in the past, fighting insurgents and terrorists within the nation.



5. An Officer in the Indian Army inherits glorious heritage and timeless traditions, blended perfectly with the latest technology in all the fields. It offers a golden opportunity to be a part of the world's finest Army and get trained not only to be an Officer but also a Gentleman for life. The Indian Army promises both professional and personal growth at every stage of the career. Opportunities to upgrade through various courses are abundant. The adventure and extra-curricular activities in the Army ensure an all round development essential in today's world. The army teaches you all, moulding the officers into leaders capable of leading from the front in any field. Joining the Army is possible both after school as well as after graduation.



SHRIPAD NAIK
UNION MINISTER OF STATE
(INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE
MINISTRY OF AYURVEDA, YOGA &
NATUROPATHY, UNANI, SIDDHA
AND HOMOEOPATHY (AYUSH)
AND
MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE.



MESSAGE

Youth is often associated with vibrancy, joyfulness, enthusiasm, and passion and they are always high on energy. The first step towards building strong youth is to impart education and to ensure that they grow up to be responsible.

India has a pool of young talented people who are making the country proud. I am glad that booklet named "Army-Calling" is compiled with a vision of motivating the youth of our nation to join the Army and to evoke the spirit of nationalism and patriotism amongst them. I am sure that this booklet would provide useful inputs to our country's youth to join the Indian Army and will instill in them, a high level of discipline and dedication.

It will also provide means to many young people who want to be a part of defense services. I would like to convey my good wishes to Shri Shameer Oorppally, Photo Journalist and the whole editorial board for successful publication of this booklet.

[SHRIPAD NAIK]

Organisations of Indian Army

The Army is organized into two parts –
Arms and Services



ARMS

The Combat Arms include the following departments:

- Armoured Corps
- Infantry
- Mechanized Infantry

The Combat support Arms include the following departments:

- Artillery
- Corps of Engineers
- Corps of Army air defence
- Army aviation corps
- Corps of Signals

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Two Stars on my
shoulder are better than
Millions in the Sky

Army Quotes

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SERVICES

The remaining components of the army are the Services. Their primary duty is to provide logistics and administration for the army. The Services include the following departments:

- Army Service corps
- Army Medical Corps
- Army Dental Corps
- Army ordnance Corps
- Corps of electronics and mechanical Engineers
- Remounted and veterinary corps
- Military Farms Service
- Army Education corps
- Corps of Military Police
- Pioneer Corps
- Army Postal Service Corps
- Territorial Army
- Defence Security Corps
- Intelligence corps
- Judge Advocate General's Department
- Military Nursing Service

ARMY HEADQUARTERS

CHIEF OF THE ARMY STAFF RANK - GENERAL

OPERATIONAL COMMANDS (6)

COMMANDED BY GOC-IN-C (ARMY COMMANDER)
RANK - LIEUTENANT GENERAL

CORPS

COMMANDED BY GOC (CORPS COMMANDER)
RANK - LIEUTENANT GENERAL
COMPRISES OF 3 - 4 DIVISIONS

DIVISION

COMMANDED BY GOC (CORPS COMMANDER)
RANK - MAJOR GENERAL
COMPRISES OF 3 - 4 BRIGADES

BRIGADE

COMMANDED BY BRIGADE COMMANDER
RANK - BRIGADIER
COMPRISES OF 3 - 4 BATTALIONS & SUPPORT ELEMENTS

BATTALION / REGIMENT

COMMANDED BY COMMANDING OFFICER
RANK - COLONEL
COMPRISES OF 4 RIFLE COMPANIES

RIFLE COMPANY

COMMANDED BY COMPANY OFFICER
RANK - LIEUTENANT COLONEL / MAJOR
COMPRISES OF 3 PLATOONS

PLATOON

COMMANDED BY PLATOON COMMANDER
RANK - LIEUTENANT COLONEL / MAJOR
COMPRISES OF 3 SECTIONS

SECTION

COMMANDED BY SECTION COMMANDER
RANK - HAVIDAR
SMALLEST COMPONENT (10 MEN)

STATIC FORMATIONS AREA

COMMANDED BY
LIEUTENANT GENERAL

SUB AREA

COMMANDED BY
MAJOR GENERAL

ARMY TRAINING (1)

COMMANDED BY GOC-IN-C (ARMY COMMANDER)
RANK - LIEUTENANT GENERAL

TRAINING ESTABLISHMENTS

CATEGORY A

COMMANDED BY
LIEUTENANT GENERAL
OR
COMMANDED BY
MAJOR GENERAL

CATEGORY B

COMMANDED BY
MAJOR GENERAL
OR
COMMANDED BY
BRIGADIER

A GRAPHIC
REPRESENTATION
OF THE **STRUCTURE OF
THE INDIAN ARMY**



COL. D B S RAWAT
COMMANDING OFFICER
122 INF BN (TA) MADRAS



MESSAGE

The youth of Kerala are extremely talented and have great potential to join the Indian Army. What is required is creating proper awareness and guidance and Mr. Shameer Oorpally's initiative is a great step in this direction.

I congratulate Mr. Shameer for this remarkable endeavor of providing significant information about the Indian Army in such concise, well illustrated and impressive manner.

I am sure a large number of youth will benefit from this book and get motivated to join the Indian Army.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'DBS RAWAT'.

[COL. D B S RAWAT]

Why You Should Join Indian Army?

1. Job Security

Name one private sector job that gives you the job security for the lifetime (until you retire), no wonder your mind will go blank as there is no such job in private that offers the job security (Unless you are an employee of GOOGLE). One day you are enjoying great success in the private sector and the other day you are struggling to save your job; such is the tendency of private sector jobs.

But if you are an army man, then job security is something that you will never have to worry about. Though you have to retire at some point, but till then you will be assured job security.

2. After Retirement Benefits

This is one of the main factors why the army is considered as the best career choice. First of all, there is no such thing as post-retirement in the private sector; you will totally be dependent on your savings and other assets if you decide to finally call it a day.

The main advantage that an army man enjoys after retirement is the pension, you would be amazed to know that an ex-army man gets around 50% of the total salary he retired on i.e if your salary at the time of retirement was Rs. 30,000 then after retirement you will get pension somewhat around 12000 to 15000. Isn't this great!

3. Salary Benefits

Though many things have changed in the Indian army within last 2 decades, but the salary of army personnel has evolved significantly after 6th pay commission.

The GD recruit can get a salary ranging between 15000 to 45000 approximately. Now don't be confused as these figures may look normal to you but let me tell you that an army person gets around 60 extra benefits and that surely is way more than a person can earn in any private sector.

Soldiers also get some other allowances not just like Housing & Food but these are Kit Allowances. Kit Maintenance is given to the soldier per month i.e. Rs. 400. Transport The allowance is given from 1600 to 3200 per month.

- Field Area Allowance:- It is calculated from 25% of Basic Pay
- Counterinsurgency :- Rs 6300
- High Altitude:- Rs. 5600
- Siachen:- Rs 14000
- Flying Pay:- Rs 9000
- Parachute Pay:- Rs 1200
- Special Forces:- Rs 9000 per month

4. Scope of Higher Studies

You can pursue your academic studies even after joining Indian army. You can always apply for higher studies, if you are a soldier and wish to be promoted to officer rank. And for officers who are in the technical department and want to go for post-graduation then you can do so, as reputed IIT (Indian Institute of Technology) colleges has reserved seats for such officers. So you see if you really feel like studying more while you are working, then the Indian army is the best option for you.

5. Fit And Fine Forever

They say “no army man is fat” and this is so true. The army is so much about physical strength, and an army person is always in proper shape as they spend so much time doing physical activities. So there is no chance of getting out of shape, you will be fit and fine forever if you are in the army.

6. Unmatched Reputation

Imagine yourself introducing to other after you become an army man, people just don't get enough when it comes to praising army men. You will be treated with respect wherever you go, you may feel like you are just serving your country or doing your duty just like others, but people will always think of you as a national hero.

Just one instance from your action-packed profession and there you go! You will have fans in no time and this is what we call unmatched reputation.

Facilities in Indian Army

Facilities in Indian army are just mind blowing, everything from accommodation to medical facilities your family will enjoy it all and that too free of cost. Here is a short description about some of the facilities.

■ Accommodation Facilities

What are the basic things that you will look for when searching for a locality to reside? clean environment, good neighborhood, security etc. Army cantonment areas provide all that is required to make living better Clean environment , Good neighborhood, Great Quarters, Separate places for sports and extracurricular activities & Security.

■ Medical Facilities

Having free medical facilities provides an extra benefit of saving money. Unlike other government hospitals, army hospitals have a high standard of infrastructure, facilities and the latest medical technologies. The doctors working in military hospitals are well qualified and skilled as they go through the number of exams and test to reach there.

■ Canteen Facility

Inflation is the ultimate cause of all financial crises for every family. The canteen facility of the army is a canopy to all army families.

■ Educational Facilities

Education is the important part of society, and army understand it well, that is why it provides special facilities to the students who are kids of army personnel.

Army Schools: the large network of army schools all around the country is built, so that the kids of army men could get the best of education.

Better facilities: all the army schools and KV (Kendriya Vidyalayas) offers way better facilities to students than any normal private and convent school, with economical fee structure.

Opportunity in Sports: regular sport events and trips are organized by army schools and KV's which are funded by the government, so if a kid is good in sports then a KV/army school will open a world of opportunity for him/her.

Scholarship for Students: for the students who are bright in studies, to them army offers the scholarship.

So, these are some of the many reasons why you should join Indian army, and I'm sure you have made your mind by now.

HOW TO JOIN INDIAN ARMY IN THE RANK OF OFFICER



There are a number of ways in which one could get a commission in the Army. You can join right after school or after graduation. The selection procedures are impartial, objective and are uniformly applied to one and all and have only one aim – to “***select the best***”.

HOW TO JOIN INDIAN ARMY IN THE RANK OF JCO /OTHER RANK



Details of eligibility criteria duration and venue of training and other information is freely available through news papers or may be obtained from www.joinindianarmy.nic.in

The following telephone numbers may also be contacted.

For Officer's entry

(011) 26173215, 26175473, 26100487

For JCO/Jawan's entry

(011) 26175471

[Timings - 2.00pm to 5.00pm]

Indian Army

Career Prospects Officers Cadre

For all those who want to become an Officer, here's how you can do it. You can join right after school or after graduation either as permanent commissioned or short service commissioned officer. Read on to find out more

PERMANENT COMMISSION

When you opt for 'Permanent Commission', you are basically looking at a permanent career in the Army. A career till you retire. National Defence Academy and Indian Military Academy are the two institutions that you join for a Permanent Commission

● The National Defence Academy (NDA), Pune

NDA houses some of the finest infrastructure for professional Army training in the world. It offers innumerable opportunities to develop your personality and cultivate new interests out of 31 different extracurricular activities like aero modelling, golf, gliding, sailing, water surfing, sky diving, archery and many more. You can take the NDA entrance exam applied through UPSC, while studying in Class XII. On clearing the exam, you will be called for Service Selection Board (SSB) interview, which will last for five days followed by medical check-up. After this, you will have to wait for your 10+2 results and NDA merit list. Once you clear these, you will be at NDA. Training will be of four years including three years at NDA and one year at IMA Dehradun. From here you complete your graduation and training.



● Indian Military Academy (IMA), Dehradun

"Valour and Wisdom" is what exudes from every Army Officer, who passes out of IMA. You can take the CDS entrance exam applied through UPSC, while studying in final year of graduation. On clearing the exam, you will be called for Service Selection Board (SSB) interview, which will last for five days followed by medical check-up. After this, you will have to wait for your graduation results and CDS merit list. Once you clear these, you will be at IMA. Training will be of one and half years after which you will be commissioned as Lieutenant.



● 10+2 Tech Entry Scheme (10+2 TES)

You can apply after passing 1+2 examination with at least 70% marks aggregate in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics. If you meet the eligibility criteria, you will be sent to the SSB. After the SSB interview, a merit list will be put up by the Recruiting Directorate. Selected candidates are inducted for one year Basic Military Training at OTA Gaya. This would be followed by a four years degree course in engineering from College of Military Engineering, Secunderabad, MCTE MhoW & CME Pune. The total duration of training is five years. On completion of four years of training, a commission in the rank of Lieutenant is granted. For a degree in engineering, however, you will need to successfully complete the stipulated five years of training. 10+2 TES cadets also have the option of choosing Short Service Commission.

● **Technical Graduates Commission (TGC).**

You, as a technical graduate or a final year engineering student in the age group of 20 to 27 years with B Tech/M Tech and engineering degree and also Post Graduate in AEC in the age group of 23 to 27 in TGC. Ante date Seniority of one year is given to Engineering/Technical Graduates inducted through Technical entries. This is done in order to compensate you for extra time and energy that you spend to earn the engineering degree before your training. With the ante date Seniority, you may have opportunities for faster promotions, in addition to pay benefits. Once short listed based upon meeting age and eligibility criteria, you will be called for SSB interview and medical check-up. Duration of training is one year at IMA, Dehradun.

● **University Entry Scheme (UES).**

You, as technical graduates, are also provided with an opportunity of permanent commission while being in pre-final year of engineering/technical graduation. Screening is done by Command Screening Teams by holding campus interview. Once short listed, you will be called for SSB interview and medical check-up. Training will be for one year.

IMA, you'll get trained in all aspects of combat and tactics using computers and other modern training tools. This, coupled with exciting adventure sports like river rafting, para Jumping, rock climbing, trekking and mountaineering, will ensure your all round development.

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION

The Indian Army has a wonderful alternative for all of you, who aspire to serve in it for a few years. It is called Short Service Commission. It gives you the option of joining the Indian Army, and serving as a 'Commissioned Officer' for 10 years. Once your tenure is over, you are allowed to opt for Permanent Commission, Alternatively, you can also ask for a 4 year extension.

With a Short Service Commission, you will have the best of both the worlds. Even as it gives you the privileges and benefits of a full-fledged commission, you will be imbibing qualities that will make you an invaluable asset to any organization that you join after the army tenure. Analytical skills, planning ability, administrative acumen organizational talent are some of the traits you will acquire. At the end of the day, 10 years as a SSC Officer will make you, a leader for life.

■ **Officers Training Academy (OTA), Chennai**

OTA, Chennai is where you report for Pre-Commission Training. once you are selected for Short Service Commission (SSC). Training duration is 49 weeks. The options are as follows :-

● **SSC (Non Technical Entry) Men & Women.**

You as Graduates (BA /B.Com/B.Sc/BCA) from a recognised University can apply for CDS examination to the UPSC in response to the UPSC notification published in March/April and September/ October in Employment news and national dailies. On qualifying the UPSC written exam, the successful candidates would undergo SSB interview followed by medical check-up. Induction for training will be based on over all merit.

● **SSC {Technical Entry} Men & Women.**

As technical graduates. (BE/B Tech) from universities approved by AIU or final year engineering students, you can apply directly online to ADG recruiting (Rtg-6). There is no written exam. Short listed Applicants will be called for SSB interview followed by medical check-up. Induction into training will be based on over all merit.

● **SSC (NCC Special Entry) Men & Women.**

Applicants with NCC 'C' Certificate with minimum 'B' grade and minimum 50% aggregate in graduation can apply for NCC (Special entry) through NCC Bn Group Headquarters and Directorate General of NCC. Short listed candidates meeting eligibility criteria will appear for SSB interview and medical check-up.

● **SSC (JAG Entry) Men & Women.**

Candidates with minimum 55% aggregate marks in LLB degree (three years professional after graduation or five years after 10+2 exam) are eligible to apply for JAG entry. Your applications will be routed through ADG Recruiting. Short listed applicants will be called for SSB interview followed by medical check-up. Successful candidates will be inducted for training based on merit.

■ **'IN SERVICE' (DEPARTMENTAL) ENTRIES**

'In Service' entries are an avenue for the JCOs and Other Ranks to become an officer subject to eligibility Criteria. These are as follows :

● **Army Cadet College (ACC).**

- (i) Age. 20 to 27 years with minimum two years service.
- (ii) Education. 12th class of 10+2 pattern or equivalent.
- (iii) Courses. Twice a year in Jan and Jul.
- (iv) Training. Three years at ACC Wing and One year at IMA.
- (v) Selection through written exams followed by SSB.
- (vi) Type of Commission. Permanent Commission.

● **Special Commission Officer (SCO).**

The entry is open to NCOs and JCOs of the Army. Eligibility criteria is as under :-

- (i) Age. 28 to 35 years.
- (ii) Education. 12th class of 10+2 pattern or equivalent.
- (iii) Courses. Twice a year in Jan and Jul.
- (iv) Training Eight weeks communication skill capsule at AEC Centre & College, Panchmarhi followed by four weeks orientation training at IMA Dehradun.
- (v) Selection through SSB.
- (vi) Type of Commission. Permanent Commission

SSB Interview Schedule.

“The Day Has Arrived”

There are three Selection Centre located across the country. One each at Allahabadh, Bhopal and Bangalore. Each selection centre consists three to five Service Selection Boards (SSBs). SSB interview will happen at one of these centre.

Reception. On the day of arrival you have to report to the Movement Control Office (MCO) at the railway station. Here, a representative of selection centre managing the reception will receive you and direct you to a bus that will take you to the selection centre. After reporting you will get sufficient time to settle down. Normally the afternoons are free (Except your interview day). You can make use of this opportunity to visit places of interest, shop and have fun.

Schedule at SSBs

Opening Address and Form Filling

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The National Defence Academy (NDA), Pune

The duty Officer gives an introductory talk, explaining matters of administrative details, DOs and DON'Ts and code of conduct at selection centre. You are also required to complete documentation including verification of required certificates for age/ educational qualifications. All candidates are allotted chest number for further testing. It is important to remember that you are not competing with other candidates . All of you will be assessed against a common standard of suitability and it is possible for everyone in the group to be recommended/ Not recommended.

Other than the day of arrival/reporting, the SSBs have five days testing schedule. The tests are geared to know more about various shades of your personality. The exact schedule of tests may be varied depending on the No. of candidates to be tested, and GTO Tests may be done in a single day, if warranted. **Details of testing are as under.**

DAY-1 (STAGE- 1)

Stage one selection system includes the following :-

(a) Intelligence Test (verbal and non verbal).

(b) Picture Perception and Description Test. Picture is flashed for 30 seconds. The candidates have to broadly note down seven basic parameters viz number of characters, age, sex, mood, action relating to past, present and future for each character in one minute. Time for story writing is four minutes.

(c) Discussion of the Picture - 30 Minutes. In this phase, batch is divided into different groups. Strength of group is around 15 candidates. Each candidate narrates his written story verbatim. Subsequently, in Part II all the candidates have to discuss amongst themselves and achieve a common consensus about the characters and theme of the story.

Once all candidates have undergone stage one tests, the results for stage one testing are declared. Recommended candidates are retained for stage-II testing and those not recommended are dispatched back.

DAY - 2 (STAGE- II)

Psychological Tests include the following :-

(a) Thematic Apperception Test. 12 pictures including one blank are shown. Candidates are asked to write a story around what led to the situation, what is going on and what would be the outcome. Each picture is shown for 30 seconds and candidates are asked to write it in 4 minutes. In the blank side, they have to think a picture of their own choice and write a story around that.

(b) Word Association Test. In this test, a series of 60 words are shown to the candidates one after another for 15 seconds each. The candidate is required to write down the first thought or idea that comes to his mind.

(c) Situation Reaction Test. This test consists of 60 routine life situation regarding day to day activities. The situations are printed in a booklet and the candidate is asked to write his reactions by completing the sentences, as to how they would feel, think and act in these situations.

(d) Self Description Test. Candidate is asked to write five separate paragraphs on each context about the opinion of his parents/guardian, friends, teachers/superiors.

DAY-3 (GROUP TESTS)

GTO - Day 1. This includes the following :-

(a) Group Discussion. Two topics of common interest (social issues and current events) are discussed. It is an informal discussion and not a debate. Each topic is allotted 20 minutes each. No definite conclusion is required to be deduced.

(b) Group Planning Exercise. It comprises of five stages, explanation of the model, reading of the narrative by GTO, five minutes for self reading by candidates, 10 minutes for individual written solutions and 20 minutes for group discussions. Narration of the group solution and definite conclusion is required.

(d) Group Obstacle Race. In this task the group is pitched against each other over a set of six obstacles with a snake like load to carry.

(e) Half Group Task. It has one obstacle similar to progressive group task with helping material and load to be carried. Group is divided into two Sub Groups and assigned the same obstacle in turn in such a way that when one group is working, the other is not allowed to watch it. Time allotted to each sub group is 15 minutes.

(f) Lecturette. It is an individual task and the candidate is required to give a short talk to the group. Three minutes are allowed to prepare any chosen topic from the four given in the Lecturette Cards for the talk.

DAY-4

GTO - Day-2.

(a) Individual Obstacles. A set of 10 obstacles is set to be tackled individually, obstacles are numbered from one to ten, denoting the points each one carries. Each individual is given three minutes.

(b) Command Task. Each individual is nominated as commander for one task consisting of one obstacle similar to the Progressive Group Task. Time given is 15 minutes.

(c) Final Group Task. Task consisting of one obstacle similar to the Progressive Group Task. Time to complete this task is 15-20 minutes.

DAY-5

This includes the following :-

(a) Closing address.

(b) Conference.

(c) Announcement of results.

(d) Dispersal.

Interviews

Interviews are normally conducted in the afternoon by the interviewing officer. The interviews will carry on from day 1 to day 4. You will be interviewed only once and will be informed about it well in advance. The atmosphere throughout the interview is relaxed and informal. The questions are generally based on your every day experience.

It is important that you understand that failure to clear the SSB interview is not reflection of your abilities. You could do exceptionally well in other professions in fact, qualifying for the SSB itself means that you are being shortlisted among the thousands.

Medical Examination Procedure Of The Recommended Candidate At Selection Centre

General

Recommended candidates appear before the medical board for carrying out their medical board after the SSB results. It takes 4 to 5 days time for the concerned Military Hospital to complete the medical board and after that the candidates are dispersed. NDA candidates are examined both for Army and Navy unless otherwise instructed and endorsement of fitness status will be made accordingly. President of the medical board will guide the candidates to Appear/Review Medical Board procedures. Candidates may seek the advice of President Special Medical Board for review/appeal in case they have been declared unfit.

Procedure of Appeal Medical Board

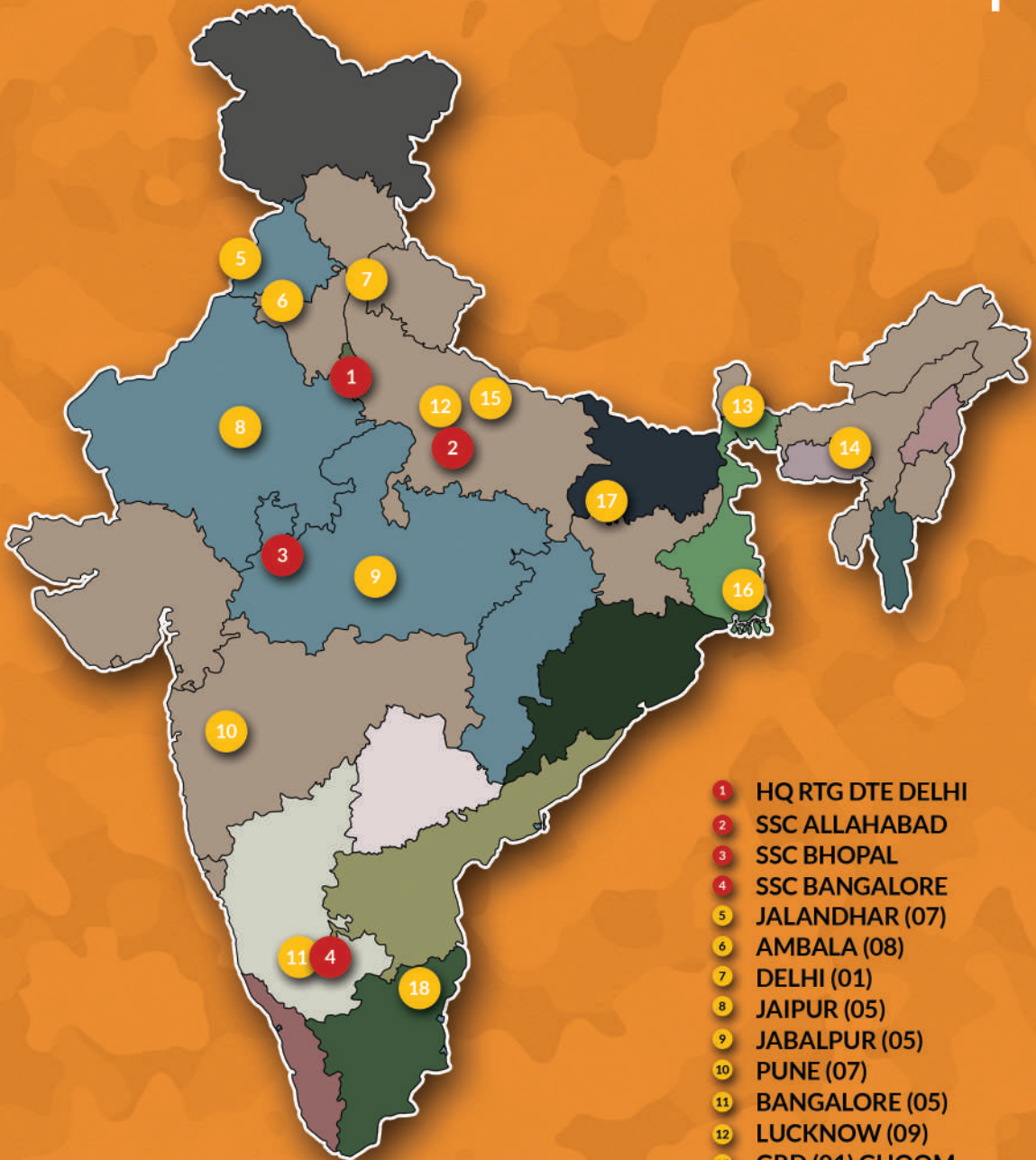
The Appeal Medical Board will be held at one of designated Command Hospitals or Base Hospital, Delhi Cantt. The candidates will report for medical examination within the stipulated period i.e. 42 days from the date last examined by the Special Medical board for re-examination along with the receipted copy of the MRO/ TR as directed by the President of the Medical Board.

Review Medical Board (RMB)

In case of candidate being declared unfit by the Appeal Medical Board, he/she may be granted review of medical proceedings based on the merit of the case. Any candidate desiring for a review should address the request to Recruiting Directorate (Recruiting 6), Army HQ, West Block III RK Puram, New Delhi with a copy to the President of Appeal Medical Board. The application for RMB are routed through DG AFMS. The decision for grant of RMB is with DG AFMS, and is not a matter of right. RMBs are conducted at R&R Hospital Delhi Cantt. and AFMC, Pune.



Location of Selection Centers & Recruiting Offices



- 1 HQ RTG DTE DELHI
- 2 SSC ALLAHABAD
- 3 SSC BHOPAL
- 4 SSC BANGALORE
- 5 JALANDHAR (07)
- 6 AMBALA (08)
- 7 DELHI (01)
- 8 JAIPUR (05)
- 9 JABALPUR (05)
- 10 PUNE (07)
- 11 BANGALORE (05)
- 12 LUCKNOW (09)
- 13 GRD (01) GHOOM
- 14 SHILLONG (06)
- 15 GRD (01) KUNRAGHAT
- 16 KOLKATA (07)
- 17 DANAPUR (05)
- 18 CHENNAI (06)



K. SETHURAMAN IPS

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KERALA POLICE

MESSAGE

I appreciate Shameer Oorppally for coming up with such a booklet to create awareness among the youth on the advantages of taking up a challenging and satisfying career in Armed Force. Print and digital media should try to play an important role in igniting nationality in youth. In order to motivate youth towards the armed forces even celebrities like Kapil Dev, M.S. Dhoni, Mohanlal etc have joined Army.

There is shortage of officers in the Indian Army. Unless the society changes the outlook towards the armed forces; the shortage will continue. Youths have to come forward. It takes courage to step off the familiar, to embrace the new and unknown. But when you do, the possibilities are endless! Working for one's nation with total devotion and commitment is an obligation of every citizen. True stars rise to the top not by chance, but through purpose and passion. This booklet will provide the necessary information about how to join Army.

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INSTRUCTION FOR REGISTRATION AND SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION (JCOs/OR Enrolment) - Online

- 1) Candidate to open www.joinindianarmy.nic.in and Click on Apply / Login link in JCO/OR enrolment.
- 2) Registration page will open up. If registered earlier, enter username and password to login also click on REGISTRATION button for new registration.
- 3) An instruction page will open up. Read the instruction and click on CONTINUE button.
- 4) For registration as a candidate fill up Personal details, Education details, E-mail ID, valid Mob No. Suitable password and Save.
- 5) A One Time Password (OTP) will be sent on e-mail ID and Mob No. Enter OTP and click on SUBMIT button.
- 6) Candidate will be directed to eligibility page. Candidate to check ARO linking with District and Height, Date of Birth i.e. Age, Marital Status and Special Category, if any for correctness.
- 7) Click on CHECKELIGIBILITY button.
- 8) Check and validate eligible categories as per qualification and click on relevant APPLY button.
- 9) A webpage with detailed instructions will open up. Click on CONTINUE button.
- 10) JCO/OR Application form will open up having following menus:-

INSTRUCTION	PERSONAL INFORMATION	COMMUNICATION DETAILS	DETAILS	EDUCATION DETAILS
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- 11) Click on Personal information fill up personal details. Upload of photograph and signature is optional. Click on SAVE & CONTINUE button.
- 12) Click on communication details and fill up permanent and correspondence address Click on SAVE & CONTINUE button.
- 13) Click on DETAILS and fill up Category, Sports Level Achieved/Sports Achievements, NCC Qualification and Special Category, if any.
- 14) Click on SAVE & CONTINUE button.
- 15) Click on EDUCATIONAL DETAILS and fill up the data.
- 16) Click on ADD button. On clicking ADD button, updated education details will appear in a table along with SAVE & SUBMIT button.
- 17) Click on SAVE & SUBMIT button. A page will open with Roll No of candidate. Candidate to note it down for future reference as it will be used for tracking application.
- 18) Candidate will login again 10-15 days prior to rally for Admit Card. Take a printout of Admit Card details of reporting date and venue.
- 19) Candidate can also check profile from my Profile in dashboard menu. In case of any issues faced while registering and applying online, please send all relevant details and snapshots, wherever applicable to wm.joinindianarmy@gov.in (mail to: wm.joinindianarmy@gov.in)
- 20) Paste latest photo on Admit Card.
- 21) Report to rally location on scheduled date and time.

Details Of **Army Recruiting Offices in Kerala**

1	Army Recruiting Office, Trivandrum	Districts of Trivandrum, Kollam, Alleppey, Ernakulam, Kottayam, Idukki and Pathanamthitta.
2	Army Recruiting Office, Calicut	Districts of Calicut, Kasargod, Palghat, Malapuram, Wayanad, Cannanore, Trichur and UTs Mahe and Lakshadweep.
3	122 Inf Bn(TA) MADRAS, Kannur	Entire Kerala



Pre Recruitment-Rally Procedure

All candidates will register themselves ONLINE on www.joinindianarmy.nic.in site.

All candidates will download their ADMIT CARD 10-15 days before they come for screening.

All candidates will paste a passport size photograph on the top right hand corner of the admit card and self attest it.

NOTE : NO CANDIDATE WILL BE ALLOWED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE RECRUITMENT PROCESS WITHOUT HIS ADMIT CARD

CAREER PROSPECTS FOR JUNIOR COMMISSIONED OFFICERS/ OTHER RANKS

Recruitment in the Army is carried out through out the year through an open rally system. The recruitment programme is published in local newspapers , and also published through other media, preferably one month prior to the conduct of the rally by the concerned Zonal Recruiting Offices.

**"IF YOU WISH TO JOIN THE ARMY,
ATTEND RECRUITMENT RALLY ORGANISED BY
NEAREST ARMY RECRUITING OFFICE"**

**Take with you the original documents along with three
Photostat copies of each duly attested**

- (a) Xth class Certificate for proof of date of birth certificate.
- (b) Xth & XIIth Class marks sheets.
- (c) Character Certificate to be signed by Village Sarpanch (not more than six month old).
- (d) Domicile/Nativity Certificate.
- (e) Caste Certificate.
- (f) Relationship Certificate (in case of Son of serving soldier/Ex Servicemen/War Widow/ Widow) signed by Senior Record Officer/Chief Record Officer of Records Office with round stamp, Army No. and name of the officer signing the certificate.
- (g) Certificate of outstanding sportsmen (not more than 2 years old)
- (h) National Cadet Corps (NCC) Certificate signed by the Battalion Commander/Group Commander.



K. K. SHAILAJA TEACHER
MINISTER OF HEALTH
AND SOCIAL JUSTICE OF KERALA



MESSAGE

The greatest wealth and strength of our nation is youth. As a teacher and Minister of Kerala my advice to the youngsters is to stop spending your valuable time in social media and to be active in sports and games. Right education should be your priority. This would lead you to be scientific, logical, open-minded, self-respecting, responsible, honest and patriotic. Mold yourself to be disciplined and skilled to ensure a bright future for our country. You should have a vision, dream of a better India.

At present, many young people perceive that there are more opportunities for them elsewhere rather than staying in their home country and improve conditions there. There are many career options in India. Armed forces offer excellent career opportunities to the adventurous young candidates. It is a career that offers immense facilities, a privileged lifestyle, and honor, in serving the country.

For those who aspire the profession of Army Shameer Oorppally have come up with a simple guide wherein you can unearth some illustrations on how to join the Army along with some photo presentation of Army training. Let this booklet benefit youngsters.

Best wishes

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PADMA SHRI. DR. AZAD MOOPEN
FOUNDER CHAIRMAN ASTER DM
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MESSAGE

Indian Army genuinely believes in two central truths – oneness of God and victory in operations. The noble profession of arms transcends limitations of caste, creed, colour, gender and borders. Army is for the bold who have the courage and determination to achieve his goal. This goal can be reached through sacrifice and perseverance. We become what we decide!

We could directly witness the bold initiatives of the armed men at the time of the flood! Kerala will never forget their helping hand at the time of distress! When tears and rains became one, they rose up and spread warmth like sun. We would always be thankful to them for raising their will higher than the waves of the flood waters. Their services will be kept in mind in the times to come too, with gratitude and appreciation.

So my advice to the youngsters is to come forward with a will to join army where you can fulfil your obligation towards motherland as well as family. Youth needs to understand his own responsibility as a human and also a citizen.

This booklet is a unique initiative to enhance the dream of the youngsters to join army. I appreciate this concept and determination of Mr. Shameer Oorppally, Photo-Journalist for coming up with such a variety booklet to encourage and guide the youngsters to join Army.

Best wishes

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STAGES AT **RECRUITMENT-RALLY**

Recruitment procedure from screening to enrolment of a candidate consists of the stages as under:-

STAGE 1 SCREENING

- (i) Pre-Height Check: Height Bar.
- (ii) Checking of Admit card by BAR CODE READER.
- (iii) Physical Fitness Test (PFT)
- (iv) Physical Measurement Test (PMT)
- (v) Documentation check and interview by Director Recruiting.
- (vi) Medical examination.
- (vii) Interview by host director and issue of admit card for CEE.

STAGE 2 COMMON ENTRANCE EXAMINATION (CEE).

STAGE 3 EVALUATION, PREPARATION OF MERIT LIST AND ARMS ALLOTMENT.

STAGE 4 DISPATCH TO THE TRAINING CENTRE.

STAGES AT **RECRUITMENT RALLY**

A glimpse of Recruitment Rally



Stage
Screening

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STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

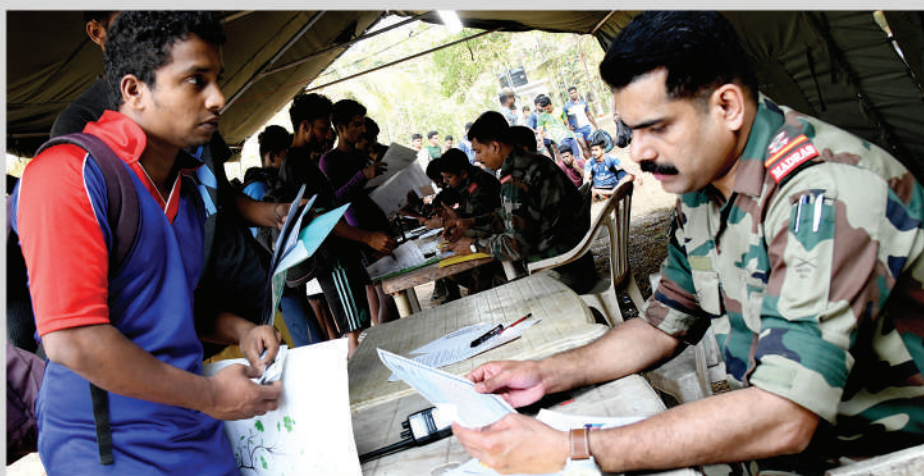
A glimpse of Recruitment Rally

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**Stage
SCREENING**



(i) Pre- Height Check : Height Bar



(ii) Checking of Admit Card By Barcode Reader

STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

A glimpse of Recruitment Rally

1 Stage Screening



(iii) Physical Fitness Test (PFT)

To determine the Physical Fitness Test (PFT), the following tests carrying 100 marks are held

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(aa) 5.40 Mins and Below	60 Marks
(ab) 5.41 Mins to 5.50 Mins	48 Marks
(ac) 5.41 Mins to 6.50 Mins	36 Marks
(ad) 6.06 Mins to 6.20 Mins	24 Marks



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Stage
Screening

STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

A glimpse of Recruitment Rally



1 Stage Screening

STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

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Balance, Should qualify and no marks are awarded



9 Feet Ditch. Should qualify and no marks are awarded

1 Stage Screening

STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

A glimpse of the Recruitment Rally



(iv) Physical Measurement Test

Standard Minimum Height, Unexpanded Chest and Weight of Recruits at Time of Enrolment for All Categories Southern Regions (Including Kerala)

The minimum physical standards applicable for southern regions (including Kerala) are as follows:

Height (Cms)			Chest	Weight
Soldier General Duty & Tradesmen	Soldier Technical / Nursing Assistant	Clerk / Store Keeper Technical	(Cms)	(Kgs)
166	165	162	77	50

Special physical standards apply to various categories. Check www.joinindianarmy.nic.in for further details.

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STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

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Relaxations in **Physical Standards**

The following categories will be permitted relaxations in physical standards as mentioned against each:

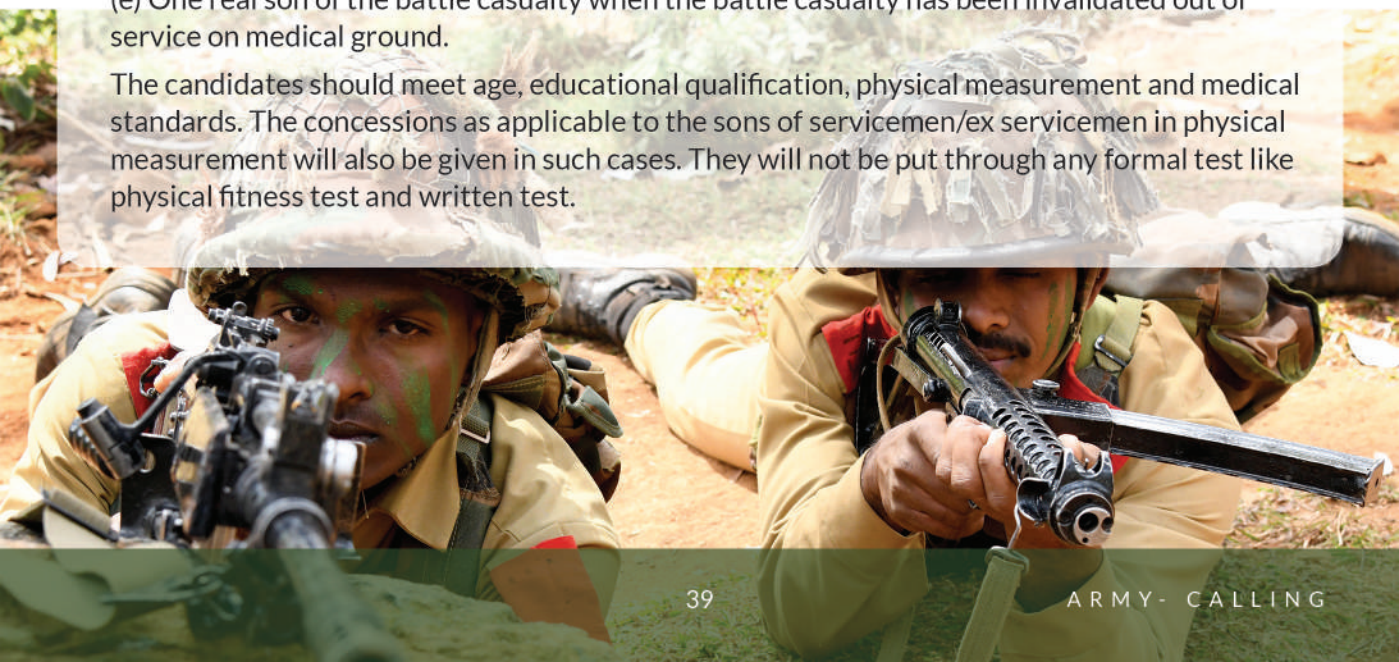
Ser. No	Physical Standars	Height (Cms)	Chest (Cms)	Weight (Kgs)
(a)	Son of Serving (SOS), Soldier / Ex-Servicemen (SOEX), Son-in-Law of a War Widow (SOWW) and Widow of Ex-Servicemen Adopted Son/Son-in-Law of a War Widow, if she has no son and including a legally adopted son of serving Soldier / Ex-Servicemen	2	1	2
(b)	Outstanding Sportsmen (National / State & those who represented District / College / School in State / University / Board Championship & earned 1st/ 2nd position)	2	3	5

Instant Enrolment

Instant Enrolment is provided into the Army to the following through respective Regiments/Corps Training Centre:-

- (a) One son of a battle casualty.
- (b) One real brother of a battle casualty, when deceased was unmarried/did nothave a male child.
- (c) One real brother of a battle casualty provided he gets married to the deceased widow who is useless or has no male child.
- (d) One real brother of a battle casualty provided he gets married to thedeceased widow who has a male child but who has not attained age for enrolment.
- (e) One real son of the battle casualty when the battle casualty has been invalidated out of service on medical ground.

The candidates should meet age, educational qualification, physical measurement and medical standards. The concessions as applicable to the sons of servicemen/ex servicemen in physical measurement will also be given in such cases. They will not be put through any formal test like physical fitness test and written test.



(v) **Documentation check** and **interview** by Director Recruiting

As a rule, no provisional screening will be done in the absence of original certificates. Candidates must bring the following certificates in original :-

Essential Documents.

- (i) Education Certificates including Sanad (with photographs affixed) and Marks Sheet.
- (ii) Permanent Residential Certificate (with photographs). Photographs on the Permanent Residential Certificate should also have round stamp of DM/SDM duly initialed.
- (iii) Caste Certificate (essential for all castes).
- (iv) Character Certificate from Gram Pradhan/Sadhasad (issued within last six months).
- (v) Marriage Certificate (Applicable for all candidates i.e, Married/Unmarried).
- (vi) Aadhar Card and PAN Card.
- (vii) In addition to above documents candidates must bring three sets of photocopy of all documents.

Other Documents, if held.

- (i) National Cadet Corps (NCC) Certificate.
- (ii) Sports Certificate (First or Second position at State/National or International level in the last two years).
- (iii) "O" level certificate from any institute which has DOEACC accreditation.



(vi) Medical Examination

Medical Criteria

- A candidate should have robust physique and good mental health.
- Chest should be well developed having minimum 5 cms expansion.
- Should have normal hearing with each ear and good binocular vision in both eyes.
- He should be able to read 6/6 in distant vision chart with each eye. Colour vision should be CP – III (able to recognize white, red and green signal colours correctly as shown by Martin's Lantern at 1.5 meters).
- Should have sufficient number of natural healthy gum and teeth i.e. minimum 14 dental points.
- Should not have diseases like deformity of bones, hydrocele and varicocele or piles.
- Soldier General Duty for Infantry should have 6/6 eye sight.

(vii) Interview by host director and issue of admit card for CEE.



STAGES AT RECRUITMENT RALLY

Medical Examination

A glimpse of Recruitment Rally



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**RAMACHANDRAN
KADANNAPPALLI**

MINISTER FOR SPORTS, MUSEUMS,
ARCHAEOLOGY AND ARCHIVES

MESSAGE

Indian Army doesn't have any quota or reservation system. It is perhaps the only organization in the country to recruit without any discrimination on the basis of caste, creed, or religion. Candidates are selected on the basis of merit and physical fitness. Providing service to the nation by dedicating one's life to it elevates the person to the status of a hero.

For an adventurous, passionate and honest youth, there can be no better career option than the great Indian Armed Force.

This booklet will help youngsters to look for a different career option. Let this booklet be an intangible asset to the nation and youngsters.

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[KADANNAPPALLI RAMACHANDRAN]





K. SUDHAKARAN
MEMBER OF THE LOK SABHA



MESSAGE

There is nothing more inspirational than Indian Army....

They are indomitable

They are fearless.

They are our pride and a symbol of Courage and Discipline.

They assure our security.

With this series of photography and information on how to join Indian Army, you have dealt with a different topic. I hope this impels curiosity in new generation and guide them to step foot in Indian Army.

My Message to Youngsters –

The profession of Army is a tremendously rewarding path.

It offers invaluable experiences and skills. If you

have the stuff in you go forward and pursue your dream!

Let this booklet assist you to explore your career plans and make your future shine.

[K SUDHAKARAN]

Stage-II : Common Entrance Examination (CEE)

Soldier GD (General Duty)

General Duty exam pattern will be based on the level of 10th class. If candidates are going to appear in Indian Army Written Test 2018 then there are two topics in Soldier GD exams.

Subject	Total Marks	Passing Marks	Total Time
General Knowledge (GK)	50 Marks	100 Marks	60 Minutes
General Science (GS) Mathematics	50 Marks		

* Negative marking is also applicable for this post.

Soldier Technical

Exam pattern for technical will be based on the level of class 11 and class 12th. There are following topics in Soldier Technical exams.

1. General Knowledge (GK)
2. Physics
3. Mathematics
4. Chemistry

Time Duration is 60 min for the Indian Army Written Test 2018. There are 50 numbers of Questions. Passing marks is 40% out of the 200 marks. Each question will carry 4 marks and each question will carry equal marks. Negative marking is also applicable for this post in Indian Army Written exams.

Nursing Assistant

Exam pattern of nursing assistant will be based on class 12th related to CBSE board or state education board. If candidates are going to appear in Indian Army Written Test then, these are the following topics you have to prepare for this examination.

1. General Knowledge (GK)
2. Biology
3. Mathematics
4. Chemistry

Time Duration is 60 min for the Indian Army Written Test 2018. There are 50 numbers of Question. Passing marks is 40% out of the 200 marks. Negative marking is also applicable for this post.

Soldier Clerk/SKT (Store Keeper Technical)

There are two parts of Clerk and SKT exam syllabus read the note carefully and check the syllabus.

Section A:

- General Science
- Maths and Computer Science

There is 10 number of question in General Science. There is 15 number of question in maths and computer science. General Science contains 40 marks and Maths and computer science contain 60 marks. Passing marks is 32% in separate.

Section B:

General English, English comprising grammar, comprehension, letter writing, essay writing, paragraph writing etc

Time Duration is 60 min for the soldier Clerk and Store Keeper Technical post in Indian Army Written Test 2018. There are 50 numbers of Question. Passing marks is 80% out of the 200 marks. There are 25 numbers of a question in section B.



Grant of Additional Bonus Marks

The following Bonus Marks will be awarded on qualifying in the written examination to under mentioned categories :

Category	Soldier (General Duty) (Total Maximum Marks 200)	Soldier Clerk / Store Keeper Technical, Sol Technical, Soldier Nursing Assistant (Total Maximum Marks 150)	Tradesmen (Total maximum Marks 200)
Son of Serving (SOS) Soldier / Ex-Servicemen (SOEX) /Son-in-Law of a War Widow(SOWW) / Son of Widow (SOW) (One son only)	20 Marks	20 Marks	20 Marks
Sportsmen (National / State level)	20 Marks	20 Marks	20 Marks
NCC 'A' Certificate	05 Marks	05 Marks	05 Marks
NCC 'B' Certificate	10 Marks	10 Marks	10 Marks
NCC 'C' Certificate	Exempted from CEE	15 Marks	Exempted from CEE
Candidates having O+ level Computer Certificate issued by the DOEACC Society	-----	15 Marks (For Soldier Clerk / Store Keeper Technical only)	-----

Note :

1. The above marks are fixed depending upon the eligibility of a candidate and has no relation to his performance in Common Entrance Examination (CEE).
2. Only one type of Bonus Marks (Max of the permissible) will be added to the total. To elaborate, for Soldier General Duty, Son of Ex-servicemen with NCC 'B' Certificate will get 20 Marks only and not 20+10 = 30 Marks.

Stage-III : Evaluation, preparation of merit list and arms allotment.

Stage-IV : Dispatch to the Training Centre.

THE TERRITORIAL ARMY

History

The origin of Territorial Army can be traced back to 1857. It was raised as "Volunteers" and was recruited only from the Europeans & Anglo-Indians. On 01 October 1920, the Indian Territorial Force Bill was passed resulting in the reorganization of the Territorial Army into two separate wings, namely, the Auxiliary Force & the Indian Territorial Force. While the former was meant only for the Europeans and Anglo-Indians, the latter was for the Indians. After Independence in 1947, the Territorial Army Act was enacted on 18 Aug 1948 by the Constituent Assembly resulting in the constitution of the present Territorial Army.

Role

The Territorial Army is a part of Regular Army and its present role is to relieve the Regular Army from static duties and assist civil administration in dealing with natural calamities and maintenance of essential services in situations where life of the communities is affected or the security of the Country is threatened and to provide units for Regular Army as and when required.

Fields of Activity

The Territorial Army is active in numerous fields. Presently the Territorial Army has strength of approx. 40000 persons comprising of Departmental TA units such as :

- Infantry Battalions including Home & Health Battalions.
- Ecological Task Forces.
- Railway Engineer Units.
- Oil Sector Units.
- Engineer Units for Line of Control Fencing
- One Composite Eco Task (National Mission for Clean Ganga) is also under raising.



Territorial Army Infantry

The Infantry Territorial Army Battalion relieves regular Army of static duties and Aid to Civil Authorities dealing with natural calamities and maintenance of essential services.



Territorial Army Ecological Warriors

The Ecological Task Forces of Territorial Army are located at Dehradun (Uttarakhand), Pithoragarh (Uttarakhand), Samba (J&K), Sri Mohangarh (Rajasthan), Kufri (HP), Delhi, Tezpur (Assam), and Aurangabadh (Maharashtra).

Now, one Composite Eco Task Force for National Mission for Clean Ganga is under rising at Allahabadh. They are making significant contribution in checking ecological degradation and environment protection in the assigned project areas. These units have won many prestigious national level awards and have entered the Guinness and Limca Book of World Records, for planting maximum number of trees in a day.

Territorial Army Railway Engineers

The units of Railway Engineers (TA) are deployed during war and peace to keep the rail communications going in designated areas. These units have also been embodied in the past to help the Railways during the Railway strike and during Flood Relief Operations. Entry to these units is open to Indian Railway employees only.

Territorial Army Oil Sector

Territorial Army Oil Sector units help in extraction, refining and distribution of oil during national emergencies. The officers and men of these units come from ONGC, IOC, BPCL & HPCL.



Eminent Honorary Personalities of Territorial Army

Many Industrialists, politicians and eminent personalities have been members of the TA. The force also has had the honour of appointing 11 officers over the years as Hony ADC to the President of India.

Col (Hony) Anil Habbu

Granted Honorary Rank of Lieutenant Colonel on 21 February 1997 and Honorary Rank of Colonel on 01 February 2007 in 101 Infantry Battalion (TA) The MARATHA L.I. A Doctor in preventive medicine and practicing homeopath. He has been providing free treatment to Armed Forces Personnel at Pune.

Lt Col (Hony) Kapil Dev

Granted the Honorary Rank of Lieutenant Colonel in TA on 24 September 2008 in 150 Infantry Battalion (TA) PUNJAB. The Indian Cricket team under his able Captaincy lifted the Coveted Prudential One Day International World Cup in 1983. On 23rd July 2002 he was awarded "Wisden Indian Cricketer of the Century".

Lt Col (Hony) Mohanlal

Granted the Honorary Rank of Lieutenant Colonel in TA on 19 May 2009 in 122 Infantry Battalion (TA) MADRAS. He has toiled through the unpredictable world of cinema in Kerala since 1977 to build a reputation as an artist of immense talent.

Lt Col (Hony) MS Dhoni

Granted the Honorary Rank of Lieutenant Colonel in TA on 02 September 2011 in 106 Infantry Battalion (TA) PARA. An international figure, representing India for over 10 years in Cricket. Shri MS Dhoni led the Indian Cricket Team in maiden T-20 World Cup in 2007 and in ODI World Cup in 2011.

Lt Col (Hony) AbhinavBindra

Granted the Honorary Rank of Lieutenant Colonel in TA on 02 September 2011 in 124 Infantry Battalion (TA) SIKH. Shri AbhinavBindra, the brightest star among a new breed of talented Indian Shooters won the first individual Gold Medal at the Olympics in 2010 and also won Gold Medal in Men's 10 mtr Air Rifle event at the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, Scotland.

Maj (Hony) Deepak Rao

Granted Honorary Rank of Major in TA on 31st October 2011 in 116 Infantry Battalion (TA) PARA. Dr Deepak Rao, a doctor by profession has been training elite special forces of the country for 18 years and has trained over 15,000 troops from elite forces like the Marine Commandos, NSG and Garudas (Air Force) in a new form of Close Quarter Battle with the sole aim to kill the enemy - using daggers, bayonets, small arms and even with bare hands.



Honours and Awards

The officer and men of the Territorial Army have been decorated for their gallantry and distinguished services. So far they have earned .

KIRTHI CHAKRA	01
ATI VISHISHT SEVA MEDAL	05
VIR CHAKRA	05
SHOURYA CHAKRA	05
YUDH SEVA MEDAL	01
SENA MEDAL	74
VISHISHT SEVA MEDAL	28
MENTIONED - IN - DESPATCHES	17
CHIEF OF THE ARMY STAFF COMMENDATION CARDS	266
VICE CHIEF OF ARMY STAFF COMMENDATION CARDS	99
GOC-IN-C'S COMMENDATION CARDS	768
UTTAM JEEVAN RAKSHA MEDAL	01



LT. COL. GURMEET SINGH
SECOND COMMANDING OFFICER
122 INF BN (TA) MADRAS



MESSAGE

Indian Army provides a wide array of career opportunities for candidates with various educational qualifications and talents. What is required to be an Indian Army personnel is - unflinching love for the motherland and as we say- “passion in the heart and fire in the belly”. Joining the Indian Army is an excellent way to live a wholesome life while serving the country. It's the most noble of professions and the most respected one as well.

I extend my heartfelt compliments to Mr. Shameer Oorpaly for taking this commendable initiative of creating awareness about Indian Army in the youth. I wish him all the best and great success for his noble cause.

[LT COL GURMEET SINGH]



DINENDRA KASHYAP IPS
POLICE HEADQUARTERS IG



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KERALA POLICE

MESSAGE

The information on how to join Indian Army, benefits of joining Army, stunning training snaps etc. would provide intriguing insight into the Army life which is otherwise elusive to civilians. Army consciously works to build character so that it can be used to make the Nation proud. May this venture convey a message to the society on the importance of a soldier- their sincerity, dedication, patriotism and allure youngsters to come forth with the goal to guard the country!

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[DINENDRA KASHYAP]



122 TA KANNUR HEAD QUARTERS







**PADMASREE. BHARATH. LT COL. DR.
MOHANLAL**



MESSAGE

The eyes of the nation is upon you, the hopes and prayers of freedom loving people march with you if you are an army personnel. He is the pride of the nation because he defends, for the tomorrow of his countrymen, he sacrifices his today. If you want to be the inspiration for millions, join the Indian Army. A soldier keeps away from the people who are anti social and anti national. He always rides on the path of happiness and contentment. He knows the value of today and leaves tomorrow to his fate. He lives behind a memory and examples of self sacrifices and is always remembered by the successive generations, his memories survives against the time. The stars on the shoulders and the medals on the uniform is not only the denotation to the ranks, but is also the solid testimony to the valour, sacrifice and dignified achievements for being proud to safeguard the nation. As a Terrier I am very proud to wear my colours on my uniform and lapel. It's a pride to get the privileged opportunities to serve the countrymen, to be an aid to the citizens at the time of adversities, to be the very backbone - to the physical survival of India. As a citizen either you desire to join the forces or you don't. But yes the inspiration is always there because it's your country. There's no better motivation. Who doesn't want to protect what he or she loves and this is more than a thing, more than everything, this is India, our country. The Indian Army needs you to make a difference for the Motherland. Come be a part, all you need is will power. "If there is really a place where the mind is without fear and the head is held high it is in the Army"....You just need the zeal.... passion and will power and rest will be taken care of by the Army" It indeed is a commendable effort on the part of Mr. Shameer Oorpally to publish a booklet 'Army Calling'. This endeavour will go a long way to educate and create awareness about Army amongst the youth and I wish him all the best.


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TERRITORIAL ARMY UNIT IN KEREALA

122 Infantry Battalion TA (MADRAS)

122 Infantry Battalion TA popularly known as "Kannur Terriers" is the only territorial Battalion of Kerala. It is a very old and famous Battalion of the Indian Army under The MADRAS Regiment which was raised in the year 1949. The Battalion has participated in all operations of Indian Army after its inception namely 1962, 1965, 1971 wars, Op Pawan and Op Rakshak. The Battalion has the distinction of being the only TA Unit to be deployed in Sri Lanka as part of Op Pawan and the only unit in the entire Indian Army to have returned back without a single casualty. The Battalion moved from Mallapuram and was stationed at Kannur, Kerala in the year 1979 and since past 40 Years has been at Kannur. Since then the Battalion's HQ is stationed at Kannur.

The Unit has an excellent and well motivated team and its troops excel in various Sports as well as professional courses and competitions. The Unit has proved its mantle in all the operational tasks entrusted upon it in J&K since the year 1991. The Kannur Terriers is the only battalion in the history of the TA to be adjudged the best TA unit in the Southern Command in the years 1987, 1988, 1989 and 2012 and was awarded the Command Banner and the Chief of Army Staff Trophy during these three years.

The Battalion has excellent reputation in the area and shares great rapport with the local population because of its ingenious roots and involvement in various sports, social empowerment and welfare activities. Such is the likeness for 122 Inf Bn(TA) MADRAS amongst the local population that the Unit's name has become synonymous with Kannur and it has become an inseparable part of the identity and legacy of Kannur.





Jinson Johnson

Winner of the prestigious Arjuna Award

I belong to a middle class family. Right from childhood I had a flair for athletics and wanted to become an athlete. As I grew up, a desire to serve my country also started forming inside me. The only way I could pursue both my dreams was to join Army.

The turning point of my life occurred when I was recruited by Army after my graduation. I entered Army giving a trial run of 1500 metre in a time of 4:2. I joined Artillery unit in Hyderabad, where, I was trained by sir Ranjan Jha, who polished my skills. Later at the National Camp I came under the training of Sir Kunhi Muhammad and my timing began to improve. Army life changed me in many ways. The National athletics record of 1500 metre (3:37:84micro sec) and 800m (1:45.65sec) are in my name.

After winning the Asian Championship many opportunities came my way offering high salary. But I was not ready to leave Army for anything. I was promoted from Sepoy to Subedar, a Junior Commissioned officer. Army made me what I am today. Even if we have to leave National Camp or Indian team, we can continue from where we began our journey in Army- anywhere from Unit level to Army Sports Institute. Army gives great importance to fitness. Sports means fitness!

Even if a sports person gets injured or has to take a break due to any reason Army supports in every possible way. No other organisation does that!

Army is an organisation that has a very positive approach to sports. It supports and provides the best facilities needed for one's development in their respective field of sports. Indian Army is not just about defending the country and being deployed at the borders! Army Sports Institute trains and produces elite sportsmen. That's the reason why many Army men are now coming into National athlete team.

My message to youngsters is that, everyone has their own aptitude and skills, for some it would be in studies, for some it would be in sports or arts etc. Select a profession according to your area of interest, only then would you be able to enjoy your career.

Anyone can choose Army as a career, no matter what his educational background is -whether medical, engineer, lawyer, nurse, sportsman, teacher etc. Only thing required is determination, hard work, and a passion to serve our nation. Keep your dreams alive. To achieve something one requires faith and belief in yourself, vision, hard work, determination, and dedication. A positive attitude can really make dreams come true - it did for me. I owe my success to Army.



DSC

DEFENCE SECURITY CORPS

The Defence Security Corps (DSC), previously known as Defence Department Constabulary Centre, was founded on 25 February, 1947 at Mathura, Uttar Pradesh.[1] The Defence Security Corps, with 31,000 personnel, provides security at Defence Ministry sites. The role of Defence Security Corps is to ensure the protection and security of designated Defence Installations against sabotage and pilferage. The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) and the Defence Security Corps (DSC) provide security at Indian Ordnance Factories, India's nuclear laboratories and Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) establishments, respectively. The CISF is purely a civilian Central government security force and though the DSC is a force under the Ministry of Defence and it comprises mainly superannuated soldiers who are re-employed for a few years.[2] On 3 May 1947, the centre moved to Delhi. The DSC was formed in the form of a semi-police force with police titles and badges of ranks. In 1948, these were replaced with military titles and badges of ranks.

In August 1959, the Corps was re-organised and brought under the control of Indian Army Headquarters. The DSC and Records moved from Delhi to Chakrata in Uttar Pradesh (Presently in Uttarakhand) in April 1959 and then to Kannur on 21 November 1961.

Today, the DSC Centre, DSC Records and PAO(DSC) is located in the city of Kannur, Kerala, on the road to Payyambalam Beach. The area is a part of the Cannanore Cantonment and is well-maintained by the Cantonment Board. The DSC centre at Kannur is the mother depot to all platoons in the constitution

The centre imparts training to ex-service personnel of the Indian Army, Navy, Air Force and Territorial Army and recruits them to various agencies under the Army, Navy, Air Force and Territorial Army and to the Directorate General of Ordnance Factories and Directorate General of Research and Development



DSC - KANNUR

DEFENCE SECURITY CORPS KANNUR





MAJ. SUDEEP GANGADHARAN



MESSAGE

It is a great privilege & honour for me to pen down a few lines for this book. This book is a great initiative from Shameer to give an insight to the younger generation, to know about the Army and also to motivate them choose "Indian Army" as their carrier.

Having born & brought up in a village, I had an opportunity to join Sainik School Kazhakootam in Class VI. The school helped in shaping life & gave me tremendous amount of opportunity to excel in sports & extra-curricular activities. I was fortunate enough to have got selected to National Defence Academy and thereafter, the 'Olive green' as an officer in the Indian Army. The Army is just not a profession but a way of life. In my ten years of service I had many opportunities to serve in different terrain in every corner of the country. I would urge all youngsters to choose Army as their carrier because no other profession will give you more satisfaction.

I would like to complement and thank Shameer for having come out with this book. It is exceedingly well competed and will go a long way in motivating youngsters to join the army. It gives me immense pleasure to see this initiative from Shameer whom I have known since my childhood and a person who has been associated with such noble ventures earlier.

I wish everyone success in your life and urge you to join the Indian Army.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'Sudeep'.

[MAJ. SUDEEP GANGADHARAN]



LT COL PALLAVI VARMA



MESSAGE

It was in 1992 that the first female cadet Priya Jhingan joined the male dominated Indian Armed Force, and rest is history! The doors to an entirely new world were opened for women and since then they have not looked back. The Indian Army welcomed the women officers with open arms, though road to becoming battle worthy was long and tough. today, the women officers have come a long way and become an integral part of the Armed Forces .

I joined the force in Sep 2005, from a civilian background with no exposure to Army life. It was a roller coaster ride to evolution from a lady cadet, unsure and shy to an officer who oozes confidence. "Army is a way of life" they said, but the true meaning was taught to me by my fellow soldiers . I was tested time and again, only to come out better and stronger with every challenge that was thrown at me. Every day when I don the uniform, feels like the first day! The crown on my beret , the Ashoka on my shoulders , the belt on my waist and the boots on my feet remind me every single day that I am unique...I am a soldier!

The life in force made me complete. It gave me a multidimensional view of life. It gave me leadership experience, as well as a work life balance that enabled me to pursue my personal and professional goals. I scaled mountains, dived in deep sea, flew in planes, sailed in boats, tamed the rapids and all this, in one life! Is there any other profession in the world that offers you so much, I doubt.

The life of a soldier, male or female is forged in virtues, shaped by training and hardened by combat. Indian Army gives you a chance to be a part of an experience of a lifetime, a job which is unmatched and a chance to make a difference in the world.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, likely belonging to LT Col Pallavi Varma.

[LT COL PALLAVI VARMA]



WOMEN ENTRY INTO THE ARMY

Women have always played an active role in maintaining the high morale of the Armed Forces by way of participating in various welfare and social activities of various branches of the Armed Forces. In continuation to its futuristic progressive and modern approach, women are now playing an active and a direct role in shouldering the military duties also. There are various entries through which they are commissioned into Army.

SHORT SERVICE COMMISSION WOMEN (SSCW)

Eligible women candidates are recruited in the Army as Short Service Commissioned Officers through the SSCW. Commission is granted in Corps of Electronic and Mechanical Engineers, Engineers, Signals, Army Education Corps, Army Service Corps, Army Ordnance Corps, Military Intelligence Corps, Judge Advocate General's Branch and Army Air Defence. Women are offered Short Service Commission in five streams, viz. Non-Technical, Technical, NCC (Special), Judge Advocate General and Post Graduate/ Specialist, for a period of ten years, extendable by further four years purely on voluntary basis. Recently, Government has allowed option for Permanent Commission for Judge Advocate General Branch and Army Education Corps. Passing out parade and a commission in the coveted Indian Army is the fulfilment of a long cherished dream for every woman. The glimpses of the parade are amply reflective of the fulfilment of this dream. That apart, the woman officers have coveted themselves with glory and honour in undertaking some of the most challenging tasks the Army demands of them.

More and more women should come forward to join Army

A young man in a khaki uniform is climbing a thick rope. He is wearing a khaki sweater and trousers, and black sneakers with blue accents. He is looking up and holding the rope with both hands. The background is a lush green forest with trees and foliage.

TO YOUNGSTERS

Army Service is the most honoured profession and the most revered as well, nothing can be nobler than serving your motherland while leading a disciplined life full of challenges. To evoke the spirit of Nationalism and create awareness about Army amongst the youngsters I, Shameer Oorppally, Photo Journalist, present my latest compilations of still photography on **"TRAINING AND LIFE IN ARMY"**.

I wholeheartedly hope and wish that these pictures generate eagerness and ignite in you the desire to join Army Service and live a life full of pride and valour. There is no better way to repay our debt towards the Nation than adorn the uniform and dedicate our lives to protect the Motherland. The charm to join the Army cannot be matched by any other profession.

*So if you have a second thought about **WHY TO JOIN ARMY** consider these points...*

- *The uniform - which no money can buy*
- *The Respect - which comes from within the hearts of millions of Indians*
- *The Pride - of standing in front of the entire Nation and telling, Yes! I have repaid the debt of my Mother Land.*
- *The Personality of a Gentleman - the training and lifestyle moulds you to become an officer and a gentleman i.e. tough arms and a noble heart.*
- *The Lineage - of being a part of the breed which has been believing- that Independence does not come free.*

"YOUTHS"

STEP IN WITH AN EXPECTATION

STEP OUT WITH A DETERMINATION

INDIAN ARMY NEEDS YOU

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*"We will burn in the sun,
We shall run in the rains,
We will go to the heights,
And we will dive in the sea,
But Oh! Mother India,
We shall give you the sons,
Who are the best."*



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I SALUTE MY COUNTRY AND OUR GREAT SOLDIERS

From the heroics seen in English war movies I dreamt of becoming a soldier during my childhood days but destiny was other wise. I was fortunate to play the role of an Army Officer in many films and I must say, I lived my dreams through them. My first interaction with Army personnel and Units was during the shoot for the movie 'Keerthichakra' at Kashmir.

It was here that I got the opportunity to observe and experience a soldier's life so closely. It is here that I saw the mind without fear and with their head held high in the most adverse conditions safeguarding the frontiers of our country.

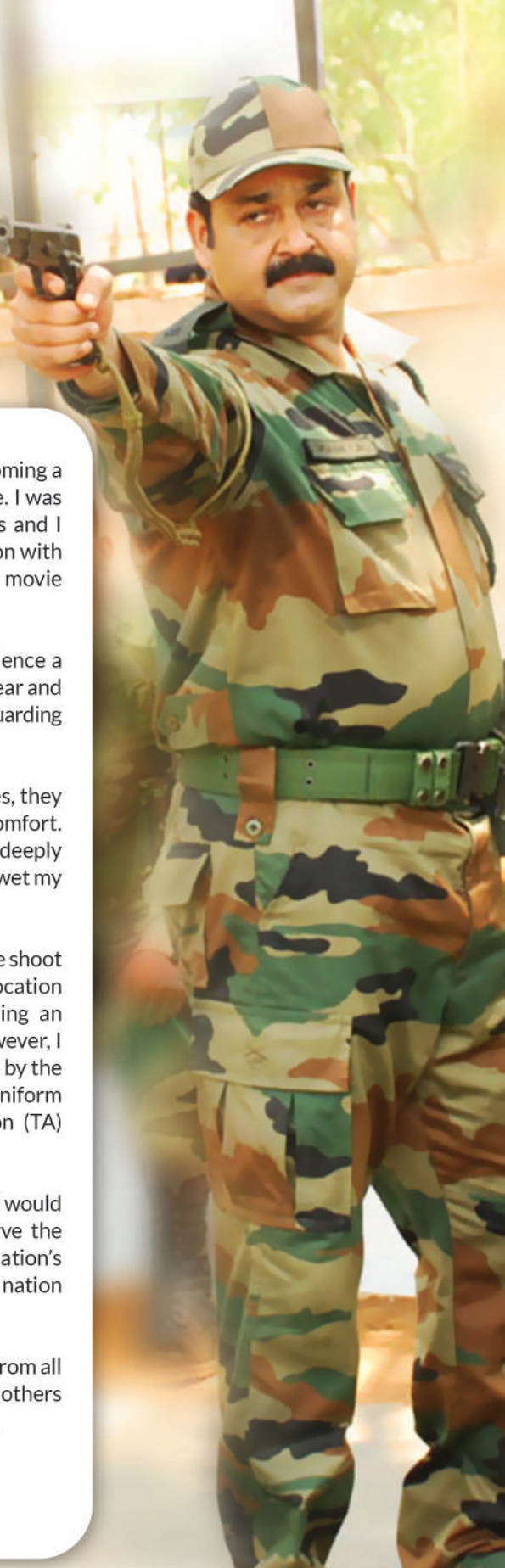
When we are in the comforts of our home with our dear ones, they stay alert all day & night to ensure us peace and comfort. Seeing their struggle with nature and with enemy I was deeply touched by their love towards the nation and it certainly did wet my eyes out of respect and admiration for them. My heroes.

In the out posts of Kargil where I happened to go as part of the shoot I was in the army uniform and people who passed by the location mistook me for an officer and saluted me and it did bring an emotional lump in my throat , for I had lived my dream . However, I did not have to wait that long. I was truly blessed to be called by the Ministry of Defence on an application from me to wear the uniform of a 'Terrier', as Hon. Lt. Colonel in 122 Infantry Battalion (TA) Madras.

The energy that I take in from that uniform is immeasurable. I would like to motivate you all to safe guard, develop and preserve the freedom of our country. We should work for our nation's betterment. Every country needs people, who keep the nation above and beyond their self interest.

A true patriot will always get due respect, love and affection from all citizens of our country. I will never question the patriotism of others but I will not stand idly by, when I hear others question mine.

Jai Jawan
MOHANLAL





A Peek into **Padma Shree Mohanlal's**

Training Sessions at the 122 Infantry Battalion (TA)
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P. K. SREEMATHY

EX MEMBER OF THE LOK SABHA



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MESSAGE

Working in the Army means that you need to be very dedicated to serve the Country and it will require both mental and physical strength and stamina. Your hard work and fortitude will always save the lives of people in India. The willingness to sacrifice everything for the motherland by the youngsters, will lead India to a glorious future.

To acquaint the citizens with Army and inspire them to join the Force and intensify patriotism; a committed initiative like this booklet is really beneficial. I Appreciate Shameer for this wonderful idea.

Best wishes

[P. K. SREEMATHY]

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KERALA POLICE**

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Army requires a fit and healthy person. And anyone who falls in that category is able to stretch to a limit where they can perform and pass the required test. It's the mental toughness that counts. The training is all about mental strength and the will to carry on when you have no strength.

Army wants the brightest, the strongest and the one who is resilient to any conditions. So if you have it in you bring forth the best version of yourself because army takes only the best.

May this booklet guide you on how to join Army.

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Join Indian Army
Directorate General Of Recruiting

Beware Of Touts

- RECRUITING IS TOTALLY TRANSPARENT
- DO NOT PAY MONEY TO MIDDLEMEN. THEY DO NOT HAVE ANY ROLE AND INFLUENCE IN RECRUITMENT.
- RECRUITMENT PROCESS HAS BEEN FULLY AUTOMATED.
- NO ONE CAN HELP YOU IN PHYSICAL, WRITTEN OR MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.
- BEWARE OF TOUTS/ AGENTS AND LODGE COMPLAINT AGAINST THEM IF THEY TRY TO CONTACT YOU.
- ONLY YOUR HARDWORK WILL ENSURE YOUR SELECTION.

**ARMY RECRUITMENT IS FREE AND FAIR.
DO NOT FALL PREY TO TOUTS.**



MAJ. DR. RIJESH



MESSAGE

This is an unrivalled piece of information about the guardians of our Nation. We all are aware about the role of our defence forces which renders unflinching support in the hour of need. All amongst us get that unique pride and sense of deep motivation seeing a soldier in uniform and in heart of hearts wanted to be there in those boots which marches for the nation and upholds the sovereignty of our nation. This book is a rare reservoir of nectar which will inspire all those young minds who think and dream about being a part of Indian defence services by understanding the vast opportunities for serving the motherland with their head held high. I appreciate the endurance and patience devoted in compiling such detailed information in order to make this book more interesting as well as informative and motivating to the young minds of our nation. Wishing all success.

[MAJ. RIJESH]



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LT. COL. DR. MOHAMMED ABDUL NAZER



MESSAGE

The Chosen One

No body merits the title of a Legend more than a fighter. The fearless men and women in the indian army are those who merit the most elevated platform. it is home to some of the bravest men and women in the world - "THE COSEN ONE"

The courage and bravery of youth in kerala was applauded by the world during the worst times of devastating flood. So now its time to serve the nation. Join Army, a plethora of career opportunities in different arms of army.

There is nothing impossible to him, who will try

The strength of our country is symbolized by the army because of its unity in diversity. For a soldier there is no relegion, cast, color and creed. for us every soldier is a family.

i complement Mr. Shameer Oorpally for his exceptional perseverance, focused approach in bringing out information on path to join the prestigous Indian Army in a crisp and splendid manner through this book. This book will surely guide and inspire the youths to bond with Indian Army.

[LT. COL. DR. MOHAMMED ABDUL NAZER]



DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE
EX MINISTER OF STATE FOR DEFENCE



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MESSAGE

I am delighted to know that with the initiative of 122 TA Bn, Kannur, Mr. Shameer Oorppalli, a journalist is releasing a souvenir named Army Calling, to inspire the youth into Indian Army.

Indian Armed Forces are celebrating Parakram Parv to commemorate the 2nd Anniversary of Surgical Strike. Serving Indian Army is an ambition of every young Indian regardless of their caste, creed, culture, and faith.

The booklet - Army Calling - is to enlighten the youths about the Indian Army to create awareness about the numerous career opportunities that the Army provides for people with varied education qualifications and backgrounds. Youth are pillars on which rests the future of our country.

My Best Wishes to the team behind the booklet - Army Calling - to do more for the nation.

[DR. SUBHASH BHAMRE]

“ARMY- CALLING” -

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I express my sincere gratitude to the **ADGPI, MRC Ooty, 122 Infantry Battalion Kannur, Commandant of Infantry 122** for supporting me in making the publication of this booklet, a reality. Sir, you have been a constant support aiding in every aspect from collecting information, helping me to take approvals from authorities concerned, and guiding me to meet the standards of INDIAN ARMY in having a book which is relevant to every young Indian regardless of their caste, creed, culture, and faith.

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Special Thanks to **MIMS Hospital Kannur** for their contribution in publishing and printing the Army Calling.

Shameer Oorppally



A word of Thanks

A word of thanks to those who has taken a decision to serve and their families for securing peace and prosperity for our country; reading this Booklet! Our military guarantees us the space, resources, and freedom to pursue excellence in business, education, health care and all the other endeavors which make us Number 1.

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

